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# Club surprised as it is put up for sale on eBay



· Members of staff from the children's ward, and residents from Willow Gardens show off the tree to a young patient

BASINGSTOKE hospital will feel a sters visiting this Christmas.

ery of a real Christmas tree to the themselves and add to the tree. entrance of the children's ward.

little bit more like home for young- low Gardens Residential Home, in grateful to Willow Gardens for giving Yateley, as well as decorations, which us this beautiful tree. That's thanks to the timely deliv- the children will be able to colour in

Lead play specialist on the ward, the festive period."

The tree has been donated by Wil- Julie Fairbanks, said: "We are really

"I'm sure all of the children and their families will appreciate it over By Christian Wilson

BASINGSTOKE Town FC made national news on Tuesday after a fan listed the club on eBay, in a bid to help attract a new owner.

The Evo-Stik Southern Premier side were put up for sale on the auction site at around midday, with the opening price standing at just 99p.

And within four hours this figure had risen to £65,900, as supporters made a series of bids.

The listing was then removed as the club trended on Twitter.

Long-standing chairman Rafi Razzak announced last month that he would step down and end his financial support at the end of the season, in May.

up interest, former director and supporter, Simon Hood, put Basingstoke Basingstoke" by buying the club.

When approached by the Observer, claimed that he had already received the club. a number of private messages from New Zealand.

Basingstoke Town have denied that "publicity stunt" in advertising the sale of the club.



· Basingstoke Town chairman Rafi Razzak (Picture by Daniel Murphy)

A statement read: "There is no truth And in an unusual attempt to drum in the rumour that Basingstoke Town Football Club is up for sale on eBay.

"This was a misguided publicity stunt Town on eBay - appealing to potential by a former director and fan who does suitors to "become a legend here in not own the club and is not in a position to sell it. The listing has been removed.

"The club management are work-Mr Hood insisted that the listing on ing hard behind the scenes looking at the auction site was legitimate, and a number of options for the future of

"Anyone with a constructive input around the world, including Japan and to [our review] should contact the club through the usual channels."

Mr Razzak's decision to part ways any online sale was ever genuine, with the club after 25 years follows although they applauded Mr Hood's Basingstoke and Deane Borough

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# New service stations to be built near town?

#### By Christian Wilson

to apply to build two separate which would include a 100-room motorway service stations to the hotel, amenity building, 'drive south of Basingstoke.

that a proposal to build services cars and 50 lorries. the size of 22 football pitches at the M3 Junction 6 "is not likely ronmental charity, Campaign to to have significant effects on the Protect Rural England (CPRE), environment".

submitted a screening opinion at council's ruling was "not the end the end of October, in which they of the story". insisted that an environmental impact assessment (EIA) was son said: "This site was always not necessary.

ough Council has now agreed, estate, and should be preserved. ruling that "an environmental statement is not required to we see the actual application, Farleigh Wallop and Dummer a motorway drive, but how many accompany any future planning but we have doubts that a fur-boundary. application".

deemed necessary to develop the motorway." the site, between Black Dam

the Hackwood Park estate.

But Moto is now free to begin THE borough council has given the process of drawing up a planthe green light for developers ning application for the services, thru' coffee shop, fuelling facili-Planning officers have ruled ties, and parking space for 620

Hampshire's branch of envihas voiced its concerns about Applicants Moto Hospitality the plans, and insisted that the

> CPRE trustee Edward Dawpart of the local heritage and

ther public service station is An EIA may have been required along this stretch of Onnalee Cubitt previously told has concluded that an EIA is not

roundabout and Dickens Lane, rently being prepared by a sepa- stops on the motorway already due to its close proximity to rate developer to build another existing in Fleet and Winchester. of issues to be given full consid-Grade 1 registered gardens at service station, five miles away,



Basingstoke and Deane Bor- the integrity of the Hackwood . The plans for the service station at Junction 6 of the M3

"We will be open-minded until near the M3 Junction 7, on the "We all use service stations on

Councillor for Basing, Another application is cur- proposal was "bizarre", due to of the story.

Mr Dawson agreed, adding: eration."

stops do we really need?

"It is a pity that the council the Observer she thought the needed, but that is not the end

"CPRE will press for a range

# Officers praised for van driver conviction

TWO police officers responsible for helping bring the man who ran over and killed a Basingstoke cyclist to justice have been presented with an award.

Christopher Gard, of Linnet Way, Alton, was reading a text message on his mobile when he drove his white Ford Transit van into the back of dad-of-two Lee Martin on August 12 last year.

Mr Martin was hit at around 60mph, while cycling in the left hand lane on the A31, near Bentley, with Gard then immediately deleting the texts, and initially pleading not guilty to causing death by dangerous driving.



Chief Supt Stephen Williams presents PC Emma Clifford with her award his phone behind the wheel, in jail in September.

But Gard, who had eight later changed his plea, and The work of PC Emma Clif- sequences of his actions, was previous convictions for using was sentenced to nine years ford, from the Forensic Colli- brought to justice."

sion Investigation Unit, and PC Dave Mitchell, from the Serious Collision Investigation Unit, was honoured with an award at a police awards ceremony on Friday night.

Chief Superintendent Stephen Williams said: "It is testament to the quality of evidence submitted that Gard had no option but to plead guilty to causing death by dangerous driving.

"Their outstanding work and meticulous investigation skills not only provided a positive outcome for the victim's family, but ensured a dangerous offender, who had tried to escape the con-

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#### News Bites

#### AWE strike

ALDERMASTON: Workers at the Atomic Weapons Establishment (AWE) staged their second 24-hour strike in Aldermaston and Burghfield on Tuesday.

It is the result of a dispute over proposed changes to AWE's pension scheme, and follows the first strike on November 14.

Hundreds of employees took part in the strike, and the issue was also brought up in the House of Commons on Tuesday.

#### Bin rounds

#### BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE:

Bin collections will be only be affected by one week over the Christmas period this year, the borough council has confirmed.

The changes will take place from Friday, December 23, to Saturday, December 31, with normal collections set to return, weather permitting, by Monday, January 2.

Residents are also being urged by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council to recycle their rubbish collected over Christmas, with no limit on how much they can recycle.

Member for regulatory services, Cllr Hayley Eachus, said: "Everyone can still do their bit to recycle more and waste less at Christmas, and I'm encouraging everyone to do their bit to recycle more this festive season."

To check the day your bin is collected, visit basingstoke. gov.uk/bincollections.

#### Food market

BASINGSTOKE: Gift stalls selling handmade Christmas presents will fill the Top of Town next week.

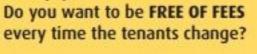
The Christmas gift and food market will be held at Market Place on Friday, between 11am to 7pm, to allow people to attend after work or school.

Residents will also be able to enjoy a glass of mulled wine, or tuck into some festive food during the event.

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# Teacher acted as a 'friend' to boy he sexually abused

By Christian Wilson

A FORMER teacher has been and Deane border.

between 1992 and 1993.

West Berkshire border, from crown court last Friday. 1987 to the 1993, with Winchester Crown Court hearing how been handed a sexual harm pre- ing to justice those responsible." he used his position as a head of vention order, and will be on the department to isolate the child sex offenders' register for the added: "It was Eggington's job to and abuse him.

Eggington, of Plantation Close, in Arnold, Nottingham, also acted ble Craig Ferguson, said follow- ties to commit abuse. as a "friend" of the victim to sexu- ing the sentencing: "This was a tory school.

This included the store cup-

the darkroom for the photogra- commend him for the courage phy club, and within a secluded and resolve he has demonstrated jailed for sexually abusing a pupil area of the school grounds, near throughout this investigation. at a school on the Basingstoke to the flowing river, known as "camps" by the pupils.

Nicholas Eggington regularly After being found guilty of tim and his family, but I hope now sexually assaulted the same boy two counts of indecent assault that we have seen justice, he can at Cheam School, in Headley, on a male child, and two counts start to try to rebuild his life, and of gross indecency with a male move on. The 58-year-old taught at the child, Eggington was sentenced school, on the Hampshire and to three years in prison at the remains absolutely committed

rest of his life.

"I would like to take this oppor- abuse occurred."

board of his faculty classroom, tunity to thank the victim and

"I am aware that this case was at times very difficult for the vic-

"Hampshire Constabulary to supporting the victims of non-The former teacher has also recent sexual abuse, and bring-

A spokesperson for the NSPCC nurture the children in his care. Case officer Detective Consta- Instead he sought out opportuni-

"This case sends a clear mesally assault him at different loca- very detailed investigation, which sage that victims will be listened tions around the mixed prepara- required the strength and sup- to and perpetrators brought to port of the victim and his family. justice, regardless of when the



Nicholas Eggington

# Dozens of bids made on eBay to buy Basingstoke Town

From front page

block plans to build a new 5,124- club is up for sale. seat stadium at the Old Common, in Eastrop.

Basingstoke Town elected to go full-time over the summer as a result, with the club now planning a strategic review to determine its long-term future at the end of this season.

This will include a review of where 'Stoke will play in the future, should the club move away from its existing home at the Ark Cancer Charity Stadium. in Western Way.

Mr Hood expressed his hope that the fake eBay listing, which had no reserve price, and listed the club's condition as "used", would help attract the right buyer to "propel Basingstoke Town forward".

Council's ruling last year to the world needs to know that the

"It all boils down to the question of who owns the club: the has been through a tricky period

He said: "We did this because chairman, or the fans?

"Because if the fans didn't has a strong fan base, and, with "This much-loved family club potential to soar.

"Perhaps our new owner is an in the club."

over the past year or so, but it existing supporter.

"If they're not already, I turn up, there would be no team. the right leadership, has the have no doubt they will be once they've met everyone involved

### **News Bites**

#### Suspicious men

WOLVERTON: Two men were seen looking around a site in Wheathold with torches, during a suspicious incident in Wolverton last week.

The owner of the site approached the men, at around 10.35pm on Sunday, and was then told they were just looking for their dog.

They then left the site immediately, and made off in a blue Nissan Navara.

Anyone with information is asked to contact police on 101, quoting crime reference number 44160457223.

#### Home's poor rating

HOOK: A care home for the elderly has been told to improve by Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspectors.

Heatherside Care Home, in Scures Hill, Hook, received the second worst overall rating of "requires improvement".

The home was inspected unannounced over three days across September, with the report that followed handing it the grade for four of the five categories rated - whether it was "safe", "effective", "responsive", and "well-led".

Heatherside was rated as "good" for being "caring", although it saw its grade for being well-led drop from the previous CQC inspection, in October last year.



The Ark Cancer Charity Stadium, home to Basingstoke Town











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## Extra cash for support centre

HAMPSHIRE County Council is committing nearly £6million over the next five years to its mental health wellbeing centres.

The network of community based centres provide services to support people suffering with mental health problems.

One of the centres currently operates in Sherborne St John, off Vyne Road, and is jointly commissioned by the council and the North Hampshire clinical commission group (CCG).

This is as part of an £8m contract with the voluntary sector, with those from voluntary organisations with mental health expertise providing the 'one stop shop' service.

The council's executive member for adult social care, Liz Fairhurst, said: "Fortunately, gone are the days when mental health issues were brushed under the carpet.

"We are seeing an increasing number of people of all ages who need support with their mental health. The county council is committed to working with our partners in the NHS to ensure mental health is afforded the same attention and priority as physical health."

A menu of services, covering employment and housing, are provided at the centre, as well as a range of support to help people with their physical and mental health.

# Scuba pair honoured with a visit to Palace

By Christian Wilson

WHILE most married couples join the same clubs and share the same hobbies, there aren't too many that uncover groundbreaking research together.

But that's exactly what Basingstoke scuba divers Martin and Sheilah Openshaw have done, after their project revealed the parenting secrets of one of Britain's most iconic sea fish species.

The couple have been filming black bream along the Dorset coast since last April, and have discovered from their rare underwater footage the lengths the male goes to protect its young from predators.

Males were found to ferociously stand guard 24 hours awarded the pair The Duke of involved in the project." a day until its eggs hatched, Edinburgh Sub-Aqua prize at before filmed.

Sheilah, 57, and Martin, 60, ing them achieve royal acclaim. not been researched before. The Duke of Edinburgh



. (From left) Sheilah Openshaw, Martin Openshaw and Dr Matt Doggett meet the Duke of Edinburgh (Picture by Simon Rogerson)

archaeological projects.

have been diving together for lutely fascinating. There's more the water during the important more than 20 years, and are known about certain aspects of nesting season. active members of Basingstoke outer space than a lot of what 609 SAC, with their work as part goes on in our oceans, and this Doggett led the Black Bream Sub-Aqua prize. of the Black Bream Project see- was something that had simply Project, and joined Martin and

as well as constantly cleaning Buckingham Palace - a prize significant that some within the new about the black bream. and priming its nest to attract handed out each year to the sea angling community along females - something never best underwater scientific and the south coast are already icing on the cake, and gives a lot Sheilah said: "It's been abso-tices by returning male fish to and our findings."

"It's been a real joy to be an award from Prince Philip.

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He said: "The aim of the pro-The findings have been so ject was to find out something

"To receive the award is the adapting their fishing prac- of publicity to what we're doing

Sheilah added: "It was an honour to meet Prince Philip and Marine ecologist Dr Matt receive the Duke of Edinburgh

"It was also fascinating to visit Sheilah at the palace to receive Buckingham Palace and see the room behind the balcony."

## **News Bites**

#### Army visit

BASINGSTOKE: The head of Army Medical Services visited Basingstoke hospital last week to get an update on Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust's (HHFT) participation in a military programme.



Each of HHFT's hospitals is signed up to the Step into Health programme, which offers members of the armed forces, who are coming to the end of their service, the opportunity to undertake a work attachment programme.

HHFT chief executive Mary Edwards said: "We have seen many ex-military personnel become real assets to our organisation.

"I would fully encourage other trusts to take part in the Step into Health programme."

#### School market

HOOK: Sherfield School will be hosting its annual Christmas Market between midday and 4pm on Saturday, with around 35 stalls, Santa's Grotto and a reindeer. Entry is £2 for adults.

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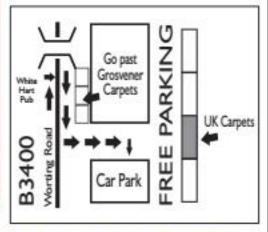






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# AWE warning issued on

home bid

By Christian Wilson

Establishment (AWE).

Plans to build 64 houses to the north of Pelican Road, in Pam- ment conducted on behalf of the ber Heath, have been received developers also insisted that by Basingstoke and Deane Bor- in a "worst case accident" at ough Council.

lined by the authority as a affected by radiation by "staypotential location for develop- ing indoors, with the windows ment in its local plan, but was closed". decided against following concerns over a potential radiological impact on residents.

tions by the Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR), due to the most appropriate sites on the proposed development sitting edge of the Tadley area. within a three kilometre inner detailed emergency zone of tion, the application site would AWE Aldermaston.

Pamber and Silchester council- council in its current local plan. lor Roger Gardiner, who called

to AWE, and would put me off refuse it."

buying a house there."

The plans have assigned 26 of DEVELOPERS have been the proposed homes for affordwarned a site suggested for new able housing, while applicants homes on the edge of Tadley is The Hill Trust also promised a too close to the Atomic Weapons "major financial contribution" to improve sporting facilities.

A radiological impact assess-AWE, occupants would "remove The site was originally out- almost all the risk" of being

The application concluded: "There is no reasonable justification for the ONR to object The plans have led to object to the proposed development.

"The site is clearly one of the

"Save for the ONR objecprobably have been allocated The concerns were echoed by for housing development by the

"It is considered that the on AWE to block the application housing development proposed for outline planning permission. is appropriate, sustainable, and He said: "I will certainly be wholly policy compliant, [and] objecting, and I'm pretty sure in those circumstances there AWE will do too. It's too close is no reasoned justification to



\*Alex Danson (back row, centre) was one of four athletes to attend the reception

ODIHAM'S golden girl Alex home with a medal, and one invited back to celebrate with a celebratory reception at council's Hampshire Talented lympians." Hampshire County Council Athlete Scheme (HTAS) ear- Four athletes met with last week.

ring role as Team GB's wom- reception are so important, said: "If Hampshire had been en's hockey team claimed gold because everybody has the a country, we would have been at the Olympics for the first local place they were brought 37th in the Olympics, ahead of

Hampshire Olympic and went to. Paralympic athletes to come

lier in her career.

time in Rio over the summer. up, the local clubs they played Ireland, Austria and Norway, Danson was one of nine at, and the local schools they and 26th in the Paralympics.

"It's a real honour to be great success for the country."

Danson was honoured at of the five to benefit from the the local Olympians and Para-

council leader Roy Perry at The forward played a star- She said: "Events like this last Tuesday's event, who

"Our athletes really were a

## News Bites

## Laser warning

HAMPSHIRE: The county's air ambulance charity has warned the public about the threat posed by shining lasers.

Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance (HIOWAA) has become more susceptible to laser attacks since the introduction of night-time operations in January.

HIOWAA CEO Alex Lochrane said: "Aiming a laser at an aircraft can be dangerous for those on board, but it could also mean our life-saving service is disrupted.

"Any distractions during a landing, for example, could mean a life-saving mission is delayed or aborted."

#### Hack weekend

BASINGSTOKE: The borough's top digital developers and entrepreneurs came together for a weekend of developing smart technology solutions for real life challenges.

Basingstoke's inaugural Hack Weekend last month saw four teams complete challenges ranging from helping the homeless to improving shopping experiences.

The borough council-run event took place at Basingstoke College of Technology (BCoT), with team Fixxr named as the winners, for their solution to a challenge set by Sentinel Housing Associaton.



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#### News Bites

#### Santa's grotto

TADLEY: A care home will be transformed into a magical Christmas grotto next weekend.

Children from Bramley Green will be able to meet Santa and his elves at Cherry Blossom Manor Care Home, in German Road.

The event will take place from 2pm to 4pm on Saturday, with all youngsters that attend given a present.

Anyone wishing to attend should contact the home in advance by calling Angela Macquillin on 01256 886436.

#### Lottery results BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE:

St Michael's Hospice has announced the winners of its latest lottery draw from Friday, December 2.

First prize of £1,000 goes to ticket 15352 of Basingstoke, while ticket 62449 of Tadley claims second prize of £100.

Third prize of £50 goes to Hook ticket 67992, and Tadley ticket 17661 gets fourth prize of £20.

Prizes of £5 go to 55819, 26908, 13700, 80437, 19784, 85650, 23193, 32547, 37681, 78656, 36468, 95177, 29423, 73606, 21228, and 00854.

#### Have your say online









a new unitary authority By Christian Wilson A BOROUGH council committee has concluded it is "optimistic"

Deane unitary authority. This would see the borough take control of the services cur- Deane to become a unitary, after for Grove, Stephen Day, said: ing, with councillor for Pamber lem with rently run by Hampshire County insisting there was "no benefit" "We're seeing Hampshire close and Silchester, Roger Gardiner, that." Council - in a move that could for the borough in merging with our schools, close our old peo- insisting that there were "things save about £7million a year.

The idea was one of sevpartnerships committee last Farnborough. Wednesday night, following ernment in Hampshire.

ally forming a Basingstoke and

Replacing the borough coun-

about the possibility of eventu- £100m a year.

Furlong councillor Jack Cous- at the meeting. neighbouring councils.

He said: "Our residents don't homes. eral discussed by members of care about the businesses of the community environment Hook, Fleet, Aldershot, and I don't think it's equal."

on our two feet."

But Brookvale and Kings with support from other parties around Basingstoke".

Optimism is voiced over

ens called for Basingstoke and Liberal Democrat councillor other councillors at the meet- probple's homes and our children's Hart and Rushmoor bring to the . Clir Jack

"We haven't got a good deal, He said: "We don't want good

"I think we're big enough, Sherborne St John, Tristan spreading the costs between the publication of a review into brave enough and passionate Robinson, said: "I'm very opti- areas." possible changes to local gov- enough to go it alone and stand mistic about a Basingstoke and Laura Edwards, of Winkle-Deane-only unitary, [as] Bas- bury ward, said: "In an ideal

cil with a unitary authority cov- Observer, the leader of the bor- rest of north Hampshire."

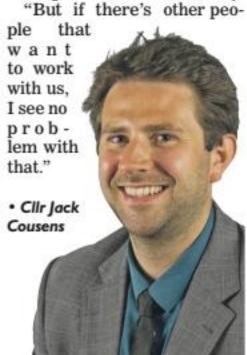
ering Basingstoke and Deane, ough's Labour group, Paul Har- Council leader Clive Sanders Hart and Rushmoor could, the vey, has repeatedly called for the urged members to work with ple report claimed, also save up to formation of a single unitary, neighbouring authorities, and wan t although the idea was also met not "build a Trump-like wall to work

> And this view was echoed by I see no party".

staff, we want the best staff for Conservative councillor for our residents, and that means

As previously reported in the ingstoke is very different to the world, I would want to see a

Basingstoke and Deane unitary.



# Police launch campaign on driving after drink or drugs

paign to stop Hampshire motordrugs began last Thursday.

Thames Valley Police officers December 2014. will be conducting operations

ists from getting behind the made on roads across Basing- breathalysed in total. wheel after drinking or taking stoke and Deane during last With all drivers involved in a personal responsibility for your influence of drink or drugs can year's Operation Holly cam- collision set to be breathalysed choices must be emphasised. Hampshire Constabulary and paign - one less than during and extra patrols based on intel-

throughout the day and night the whole of Hampshire increased police have urged residents not to drive or ride after consuming and the loss of your job."

A MONTH-LONG police cam- this month to catch offenders. from 195 to 215 however, with to take the risk. A total of 23 arrests were 7,606 people being stopped and Road safety lead Sergeant Rob

Heard said: "The importance of any motor vehicle under the

"Think about the pain and misligence about suspected offend- ery you could inflict on innocent can face a criminal conviction, The number of arrests across ers coming until the New Year, road users by a reckless decision a prison sentence, driving ban,

alcohol or taking drugs.

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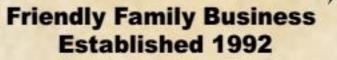
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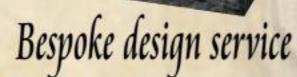
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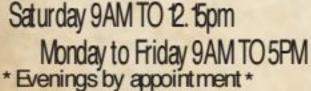
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#### News Bites

#### Burglaries report

BRAMLEY: Police received reports of five burglaries over the course of last month in Bramley and Sherfield.

The November Beat Report also revealed seven reports anti-social behaviour. There were also five reported offences of criminal damage in Bramley and Sherfield, while six suspicious vehicle or person reports were received.

PCSO Nathan Johnson said: "Burglaries are a local beat priority across the whole of Basingstoke. Please ensure that your doors and windows are locked when you are leaving your property unattended."

#### Funds raised

HAMPSHIRE: A total of £1,800 was raised by volunteers on behalf of an environmental group last month.

Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) Hampshire raised the funds from its annual quiz night on November 18.

Planning and policy group chairman, Christopher Napier, said: "This year is an important one for the Hampshire branch of CPRE, as it celebrates 50 years of working to protect the local countryside for everyone to value and enjoy.

"Whilst we have many achievements to be proud of, there are massive challenges ahead."

# Deputy leader attacks homeless study claim

By Christian Wilson

THE deputy leader of Basingstoke and Deane's council has hit back at figures suggesting one in 634 people living in the borough are homeless.

Shelter used data from four sets of official statistics to estimate that 277 homeless people lived in the borough, placing it as having the 99th highest ratio of homelessness nationwide.

The charity arrived at the figure by adding together the number of people living in temporary accommodation and those rough sleeping, which it said was 257 and 20 respectively, according to the latest statistics.

Borough Council claims that only 104 people live in tempo- fronted with a set of figures rary accommodation.

said: "It's obviously not a per- convey the real story at all." manent home, but it is a first rary accommodation, they are to cuts by the county council not abandoned in a run-down for its 'Supporting People' pro- households forced to stay in "It is something to be house.

"I find it difficult when con- of its own budget.



But Basingstoke and Deane • The borough council launched its 'real change not loose change' campaign last month

gramme by spending £100,000

Oakley Lodge, and homeless the same period. The council has made tack- hostel May Place, with the step towards a permanent ling homelessness one of its authority also choosing to spend suggest that being in temporary home, and moving on to a better big priorities over the past few a £100,000 grant to help those accommodation is a very bad

The number of homeless given help.

This secured the futures of to 13 four years earlier, while from Shelter, who are not deal- short-term accommodation the number of days they were Deputy leader Terri Reid ing with us personally, that don't centres The Joshua Tree, and used also fell from 485 to 29 over

Cllr Reid added: "The figures life. When people are in tempo-years, and last year reacted rough sleeping this September. thing. These people are being

bed-and-breakfasts stood at defended, not something to be four in September, compared held as a stick to beat us with."

## Firm offers to host dementia workshops

A HOOK-BASED care provider is offering to host free dementia awareness workshops for community groups in Basingstoke and Deane.

Bluebird Care, in London Road, has set itself the challenge of hosting the workshops in 25 different locations across the borough and Hart over the next 12 months.

The provider has handed out two rounds of grant funding, totalling £500, over the last few months to community groups that focus on dementia and mental health among the elderly.

Bluebird is now calling on groups, schools, social clubs or residents wanting to find out more about dementia, to get the care home to host a dementia workshop for them.

Managing director Phil Miles said: "A recent report made recommendations to the Government about the need to continue to raise awareness of dementia, and the work that can be done to make our communities more dementia-friendly.

"With the specialist services we provide at Bluebird Care, we are determined to do just that with these new dementia awareness sessions."

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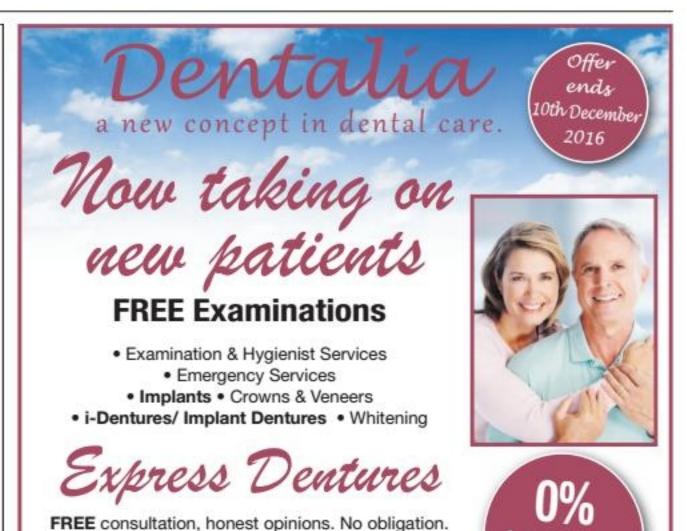


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#### CCTV released of Co-op thief

A CCTV image of a man wanted for stealing cash from a till at a Basingstoke store has been released by police.



The suspect was filmed walking into the Co-op, in Kings Road, between 8.30pm and 8.40pm on October 22.

He picked up a pint of milk and, after approaching the cash register to pay, reached into the till and grabbed £280 in notes.

A staff member managed to slam the till shut while the offender's hand was in it, possibly injuring him, although it did not stop him from running out of the store.

He is described as white, at least 6ft tall, aged 30 to 40, of big build, with a ginger beard and a pear-shaped face.

Anyone who recognises the man, either from the description or the CCTV image, is asked to contact police on 101, quoting reference number 44160399830, or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

# Warning issued over News Bites Christingle he threat of 'sextortion'

By Christian Wilson

HAMPSHIRE'S police service has launched a campaign to stop people becoming victims of 'sextortion'.

More than 100 incidents were reported to Hampshire Constabulary last year of residents being blackmailed after being secretly filmed performing sexual acts.

The majority of victims of the cybercrime were young men, aged 17 to 23, with offenders often pretending to be women online to entrap their targets in front of a webcam.

The offenders then threaten to upload the footage online or send it to the victim's family unless they meet their demands, throughout the whole thing, 385 in 2015 to 864 in November. manipulation and intimidation with this threat resulting in shaking, and thinking 'what's four people committing suicide going to happen?' across the country last year.

included the story of Hamp- been able to face anyone. shire teenager "Gary" as part of its campaign, who revealed I've moved on with my life - deal with the matter confiden- cope with blackmail. ing his own life after receiving Facebook".

He said: "I was trembling had more than doubled from that involves the deception, encountered."



· Police are advising residents to tell them if they are targeted by blackmailers

how he had contemplated tak- there is always life afterwards." tially. The National Crime Agency

"It would have been too panic, to not pay the offender, Hampshire Constabulary embarrassing, I would not have to deactivate their accounts, but severe as suicide and self-harm. not delete any correspondence, "But I went to the police, and and to tell the police, who would have the emotional strength to

a message demanding he "pay (NCA) revealed last Wednes- prevention officer, Detective more victims the confidence £500, or this is going all over day that the number of people Chief Inspector Paul Gelman, to confide in police about any reporting webcam blackmails said: "Sextortion is a crime situations or threats they've

Hampshire Constabulary has of someone with distressing and urged anyone targeted to not devastating effects.

"The consequences can be as

"Younger men do not always

"Therefore, a key purpose Senior lead cybercrime of our campaigning is to give

## Christingle held

BASINGSTOKE: The Church of Christ the King is hosting a Christmas Eve service to support some of the country's most vulnerable children.

The Christingle celebration at the church, in Brighton Hill Parade, starting at 3.30pm, will raise money for the charity The Children's Society.

Everyone is welcome to attend the fundraising event, which sees children decorate oranges with red ribbon, cocktail sticks and sweets.

A total of 22 different services will take place across Hampshire throughout the month, including at St Mary's Church, in Hook, on Christmas Eve.

#### Pantomime time

BASINGSTOKE: The Anvil will host this year's first Basingstoke pantomime, Sleeping Beauty, this evening.

Sue Holderness, known for playing Marlene Boyce in TV sitcom Only Fools and Horses, will play the role of Carbosse, the Bad Fairy, in the show, which will run until January 2.

She will be joined on stage by Katrina Bryan, from CBeebies' Nina and the Neurons, and Hollyoaks star Sarah-Jane Buckley.

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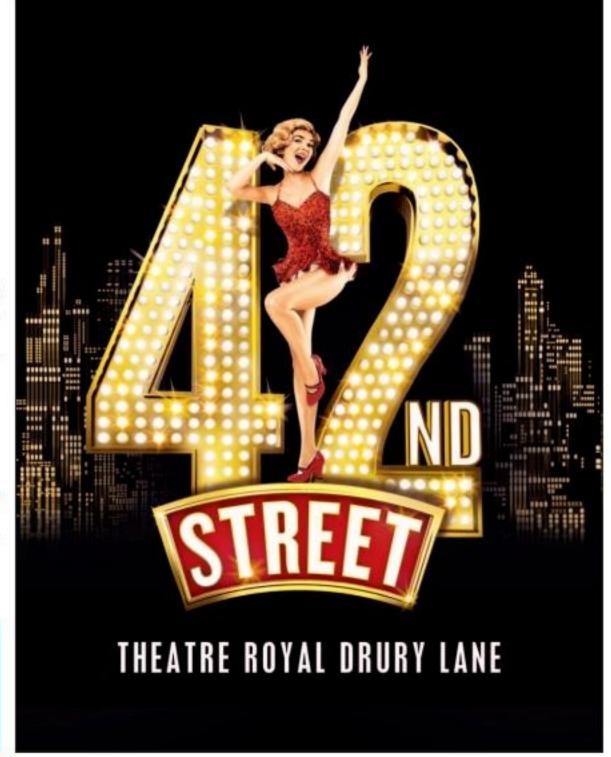
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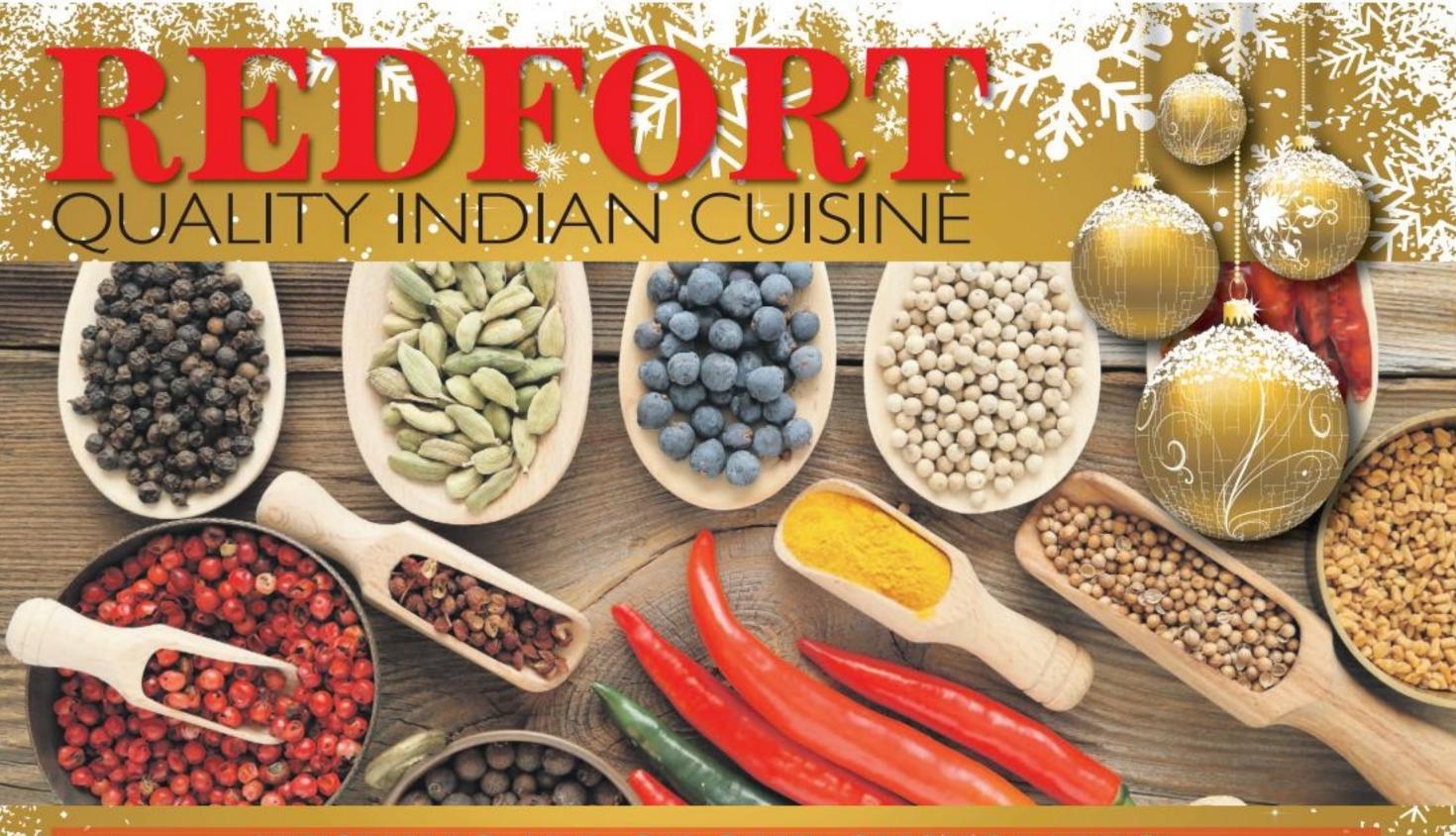
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#### BBC1 Casualty,

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11.30 James Martin - Home Comforts at Christmas (S)(R) 12.00 Football Focus (S) 1.00 News (S) 1.15 Bargain Hunt (R) 1.15 Granada/YTV The Super League Show 2.00 Christmas Supermarket Secrets (R) 3.00 Escape to the Continent (S)(R) 4.00 Final Score 5.10 Celebrity Mastermind (S) (R) 5.40 News (S) 5.50 BBC Regional News (S) 6.00 Pointless Celebrities (S)

(R) 6.50 Strictly Come Dancing (S)

Michael McIntyre's Big Show Rick Astley, Al Porter and Olly Murs perform on stage at London's Theatre Royal. (S)

Casualty The miserly boss of a department store is injured during a riot at his shop. (S)

10.00 The National Lottery Live (S) 10.10 BBC News; Weather (S) 10.30 Match of the Day Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches; (S) National Lottery Update (S)

11.50 The NFL Show Mark Chapman looks at the major stories shaping the NFL. (S)

AFTER 12.20 FILM Hard Rain (1998) (15) Action adventure, starring Christian Slater and Morgan Freeman. (S) 1.50 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) 1.55 BBC News (S)

BBC<sub>2</sub>



6.25 FILM The Big Sky (1952) (U) (S) 8.25 FILM Build My Gallows High (1947) (PG) (S) 10.00 Secret Britain (S)(R) 11.00 Homes Under the Hammer (S)(R) 12.00 Hairy Bikers' Best of British (S)(R) 1.00 Best Bakes Ever (S) 1.30 FILM Lust for Life (1956) (PG) (S) 3.30 Flog It! (S)(R) 4.10 Natural World (S)(R) 5.00 FILM Nativity! (2009) (U) (S) 6.40 Operation Snow Tiger (S)(R)

7.40 Grand Tours of the Scottish Islands Paul Murton visits the Inner Hebrides islands of Gigha and Jura. (S)

8.10 Dad's Army (S)(R) 8.45 Walt Disney – Part One Part one of two. Documentary exploring the life and legacy of Walt Disney. (S)

Rauschenberg - American Art 9.45 Pioneer Alastair Sooke visits the east coast of the US to profile Robert Rauschenberg. (S)

10.45 Andy Parsons: Slacktivist A stand-up performance by the Mock the Week panellist recorded over two nights at Harrogate Theatre in North Yorkshire. (S)(R)

11.45 FILM In the Dark Half (2012) (15) Premiere. Horror, starring Jessica Barden, Tony Curran and Lyndsey Marshal. (S)

1.05 FILM Jackpot (2011) (15) Crime comedy, starring Kyrre Hellum. 2.25 This Is BBC Two (S)

ITV



9.05 Scrambled!: Adventure Time (S) (R) 9.25 ITV News (S) 9.30 FILM Carry On Don't Lose Your Head (1966) (PG) (S) 11.15 Judge Rinder (S) (R) 12.15 ITV News (S) 12.25 Cash Trapped (S)(R) 1.30 FILM Death on the Nile (1978) (PG) (S) 4.10 Thunderbirds Are Go (S) 4.35 The Chase (S)(R) 5.35 ITV Regional News (S) 5.45 ITV News (S) 6.00 Tipping Point: Lucky Stars (S)(R)

7.00 Go for It Special A special edition of the talent-based game show. (S)

8.00 The X Factor Dermot O'Leary presents the first of two grand final shows. (S)

10.05 The Jonathan Ross Show Paul Hollywood, Miranda Hart, Keira Knightley, Kylie Minogue and David Walliams join Jonathan for festive fun. Last in the series. (S)

11.10 ITV News; Weather (S) 11.25 FILM Senna (2010) (12) Documentary exploring the life of Formula One world champion Ayrton Senna. (S)

1.20 Jackpot247 3.00 ITV Nightscreen

Channel 4

It Was Alright in the 1970s,



6.40 ITERA Expedition Race Ireland (S) 7.05 Everybody Loves Raymond (S)(R) 7.55 Frasier (S)(R) 9.00 The Morning Line (S) 10.00 The Big Bang Theory (S) 11.30 The Simpsons (S)(R) 12.30 Deal or No Deal (S) 1.30 Channel 4 Racing (S) 4.00 Jamie's Super Food (S)(R) 4.30 Location, Location, Location (S)(R) 5.35 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun (S) 6.30 Channel 4 News (S)

7.00 Jutland: WWI's Greatest Sea Battle Re-examining the events of the First World War naval battle. (S)(R)

8.00 Pearl Harbour: The New Evidence The truth about rumours of a conspiracy surrounding the devastating attack on Pearl Harbour in 1941.

9.00 It Was Alright in the 1970s Matt Lucas returns to poke more fun at Britain's viewing habits in the 1970s. (S)

10.00 FILM Paul (2011) (15) Sci-fi comedy, with Simon Pegg and Nick Frost. (S)

12.05 FILM Kingpin (1996) (12) Comedy, starring Woody Harrelson. (S) 2.10 Hollyoaks (S)(R) 4.15 Location, Location, Location (S)(R) 5.10 Kirstie's Handmade Treasures (S)(R) 5.25 Deal or No Deal (S)(R)

Channel 5

Football on 5: The Championship,



6.00 Milkshake! 9.45 The Fairly OddParents (S)(R) 10.20 FILM Hats Off to Christmas! (2013) (PG) (S) 12.05 FILM Deck the Halls (2006) (PG) (S) 1.55 FILM The Nine Lives of Christmas (2014) (PG) (S) 3.30 FILM Mrs Miracle 2: Miracle in Manhattan (2010) (PG) Family drama sequel, starring Doris Roberts. (S) 5.25 FILM Finding Father Christmas (2016) (S)

7.10 NCIS: Silent Night, Deadly Night The team provides protection for a pregnant marine. (S)(R)

8.00 NCIS: Mistletoe & Murder Tony's father visits for Christmas. Guest starring Robert Wagner. (S)(R)

8.55 5 News Weekend (S) Football on 5: The

Championship George Riley an Lynsey Hipgrave introduce highlights from the weekend's games in the Championship. (S)

10.00 Football on 5: Goal Rush Goals from the weekend's games in the Leagues One and Two. (S)

10.30 That's So 1989 A look at the events of 1989, which saw the fall of the Berlin Wall. (S)(R)

11.30 Impractical Jokers UK The boy: set up a fake sweet shop. (S)

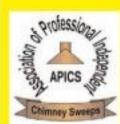
12.00 SuperCasino 3.10 FILM Wrong Turn (2003) (18) Horror, starring Eliza Dushku. (S) 4.35 Access (R) 4.50 House Doctor (S)(R) 5.15 House Doctor (S)(R) 5.40 Angels of Jarm (S)(R) 5.50 Roary the Racing Car (S)(R)

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ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 Movies Now 6.10 Doctor at Large 6.35 FILM: The Nun's Story (1959) (PG) Drama, starring Audrey Hepburn, 7.35 FYI Daily 7.40 FILM: The Nun's Story (1959) (PG) Concluded. 9.35 FILM: Columbo: Dagger of the Mind (1972) (PG) Detective drama, starring Peter Falk and Honor Blackman. 11.35 A Touch of Frost 1.35 Inspector Morse 3.50 Midsomer Murders 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 The Booze Cruise 2: The Treasure Hunt 11.00 A Is for Acid 1.10 Wycliffe 2.10 ITV3 Nightscreen 2.30 Teleshopping

#### BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 The Other Pompeii: Life and Death in Herculaneum 8.00 Paylopetri - The City Beneath the Waves 9.00 Modus 10.30 Top of the Pops: 1982 11.45 Britain's Most Dangerous Songs: Listen to the Banned 12.45 More Dangerous Songs: And the Banned Played On 1.45 Heavy Metal Britannia 3.15 Metal at the BBC 3.45

#### E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Animals Unleashed 6.45 Baby Daddy 7.35 How I Met Your Mother 8.30 Melissa & Joey 9.25 Made in Chelsea 10.30 Couples Come Dine with Me 11.35 The Goldbergs 12.30 Black-ish 1.30 FILM: Gulliver's Travels (2010) (PG) Fantasy comedy, starring Jack Black. 3.15 Rude(ish) Tube Shorts 3.30 The Big Bang Theory 7.30 FILM: The Twilight Saga: Eclipse (2010) (12) Romantic fantasy sequel, with Kristen Stewart and Robert

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Pattinson. 10.00 Gogglebox 12.05 The Big Bang Theory | SKY1 SKY: 106 2.00 The Inbetweeners 2.55 Rude Tube 3.50 Young & Hungry 4.10 Animals Unleashed 5.00 Revenge

#### MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 Tiny House Nation 9.50 Kirstie's Handmade Christmas 10.55 Car SOS 11.55 Come Dine with Me 2.35 Four in a Bed 5.15 Come Dine with Me 8.00 The World's Weirdest Weather 9.00 Pearl Harbour: Mystery of the Killer Subs 10.00 Edward VIII's Murderous Mistress 11.05 8 Out of 10 Cats 11.55 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 1.00 Father Ted 2.05 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA 3.40 Close

#### FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 Miracle on 34th Street (1947) (U) Christmas drama, starring Edmund Gwenn. 1.00 City of Ember (2008) (PG) Fantasy adventure, starring Saoirse Ronan. 2.50 Love Happens (2009) (12) Romantic drama, starring Aaron Eckhart and Jennifer Aniston. 4.55 We Bought a Zoo (2011) (PG) Fact-based comedy drama, starring Matt Damon. 7.20 Men in Black II (2002) (PG) Sci-fi comedy sequel, starring Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones. 9.00 Fast & Furious 5 (2011) (12) Action adventure sequel, starring Vin Diesel and Dwayne Johnson. 11.35 The Anomaly (2014) (15) Sci-fi thriller, directed by and starring Noel Clarke. 1.30 Mindscape (2013) (15) Fantasy thriller, starring Mark Strong. 3.35

#### **DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12**

7.15 Jay Leno's Garage 8.00 Celebrity Storage Hunters 10.00 Steve Austin's Broken Skull Challenge 12.00 Top Gear 2.00 Dara O Briain's Go 8 Bit 3.00 Taskmaster 5.00 Celebrity Storage Hunters 7.00 Room 101 8.20 Would I Lie to You? 9.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You 10.00 Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish 11.00 QI XL 12.00 Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled 1.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You 2.00 Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish 2.50 Suits 3.35 The Indestructibles 4.00 Close

#### DRAMA SKY: 158 FV: 20

7.10 Pie in the Sky 11.00 Sharpe 1.00 The Shadow in the North 3.00 Pie in the Sky 6.00 Hetty Wainthropp Investigates 8.00 Murdoch Mysteries 9.00 FILM: Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves (1991) (PG) Action adventure, starring Kevin Costner. 11.45 Waking the Dead 2.10 Cadfael 3.30 Garden Hopping 4.00 Close

6.00 Are You Smarter Than a 10 Year Old? 7.00 Ashley Banjo's Secret Street Crew 8.00 Futurama 8.30 Game Changers 9.00 The Fantasy Football Club 10.00 Socce AM 11.30 Futurama 1.00 Modern Family 4.00 Harry Hill's Tea-Time 4.30 Yonderland 5.00 Supergirl 6.00 The Flash 7.00 The Simpsons 8.00 Landscape Artist o the Year 2016 9.00 Don't Tell the Bride 10.00 A Leagu of Their Own US Road Trip 11.00 A League of Their Ow 12.00 Karl Pilkington: The Moaning of Life 1.00 Arrow 2.00 Stan Lee's Lucky Man 3.00 Nothing to Declare 4.00 Border Security: Canada's Front Line 5.00 Road

#### SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 Urban Secrets 7.00 Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets 8.00 Without a Trace 12.00 Cold Case 4.00 Blue Bloods 9.00 Game of Thrones 11.30 Olive Kitteridge 1.45 Entourage 3.00 Cold Case 4.00 Urban Secrets 5.00 Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets

#### W SKY: 109

6.00 Saving Hope 6.45 Extreme Makeover: Home Edition 8.25 The Bill 1.45 EastEnders 4.20 Extreme Makeover: Home Edition 6.20 My Family 9.00 Jonatha Creek 10.20 Luther 11.40 Secrets and Lies 12.40 Code Black 1.35 Being Human USA 2.20 Betty White's Off Their Rockers 3.00 Home Shopping

#### CHRISTMAS GOLD SKY: 110

7.00 Cheers 7.50 Lovejoy 11.20 One Foot in the Grave 12.40 Only Fools and Horses 4.40 TOTP2 6.40 Only Fools and Horses 8.30 Victoria Wood's Midlife Christmas 9.50 Bottom 10.30 FILM: Step Brothers (2008) (15) Comedy, starring Will Ferrell and John C Reilly. 12.35 Harry Enfield and Chums 1.55 The Interviews 2.50 I Dream of Jeannie 4.00 Close

#### SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

6.30 Joshua/Molina: Behind the Ropes 7.00 Joshua/ Molina: The Countdown 7.30 Joshua v Molina: The Gloves Are Off 8.00 Game Changers 8.30 Premier League Preview 9.00 The Fantasy Football Club 10.00 Soccer AM 11.30 Live Premier League. Watford v Everton (kick-off 12.30pm). 3.00 Gillette Soccer Saturday 5.15 Live EFL. Preston North End v Blackbur Rovers (kick-off 5.30pm). 8.00 EFL Goals 8.30 Nissan Game of the Day 10.30 Nissan Match Choice 11.30 Premier League Highlights

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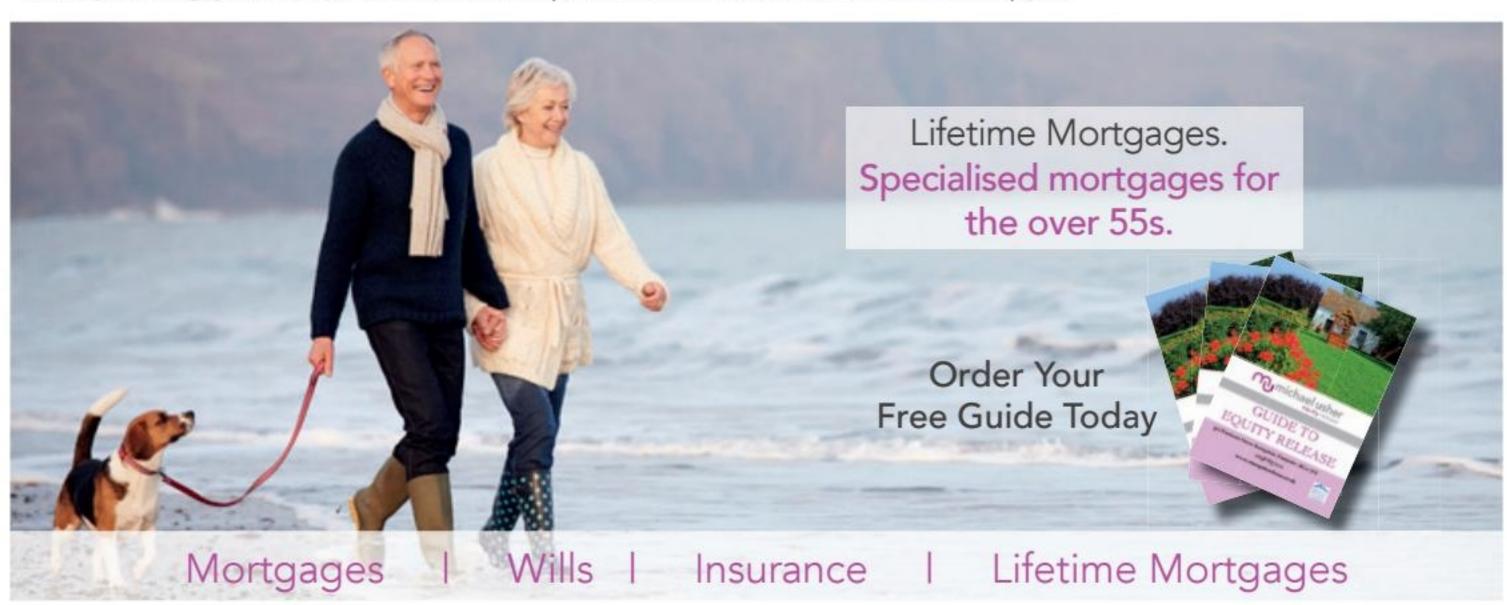
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## **Sunday December 11th**

#### BBC1

Strictly Come Dancing: The Results. 7.20pm



10.00 Fern Britton Meets Michael Gove (S) 11.00 Sunday Politics (S) 12.15 Bargain Hunt (S)(R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather (S) 1.15 Homes Under the Hammer (S)(R) 2.00 Escape to the Country (S)(R) 2.45 Lifeline (S) 2.55 FILM Kung Fu Panda (2008) (PG) (S) 4.20 Planet Earth II (S)(R) 5.20 Songs of Praise (S) 5.55 BBC News (S) 6.10 BBC Regional News; Weather (S) 6.20 Countryfile (5)

7.20 Strictly Come Dancing: The Results Tess Daly and Claudia Winkleman reveal who is through to the final. (S)

Planet Earth II Footage of wild animals that live in cities. Last in the series. (S)

My Mother and Other Strangers Rose rejects Dreyfuss when he returns to the village. Last in the series. (S)

10.00 BBC News (S) 10.20 BBC Regional News; Weather 10.30 Match of the Day 2 Mark

Chapman reviews the day's

Premier League action. (S) 11.45 Sunny D Stefan has a plan to solve all of Dane's problems.

Last in the series. (S)

AFTER 12.10 Citizen Khan (S)(R) 12.40 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) 12.45 BBC News (S)

BBC<sub>2</sub>

The Toys That Christmas, 6.35pm



8.45 Countryfile (S)(R) 9.45 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites (S) 11.15 Tom Kerridge's Proper Pub Food (S)(R) 11.45 Best Bakes Ever (S)(R) 12.15 MOTD2 Extra (S) 1.00 FILM Quantrill's Raiders (1958) (U) (S) 2.10 FILM Dial M for Murder (1954) (PG) (S) 3.50 Athletics: European Cross Country Championships (S) 4.50 Heir Hunters (S)(R) 5.35 Flog It! (S)(R) 6.35 The Toys That Made Christmas (S)(R)

FILM The Lone Ranger (2013) (12) Premiere. Western, starring Armie Hammer and Johnny Depp. Edited for pre-watershed broadcast. (S)

10.20 QI XL Extended episode, with Richard Osman, Lolly Adefope and Lee Mack. (S)

11.05 Black Is the New Black The experiences of people who are black and British. (S)(R) 11.35 Black Is the New Black Thoughts on growing up. (S)(R)

12.05 FILM Ash Wednesday (2002) (18) Thriller, starring Edward Burns. (S) 1.40 Sign Zone: Countryfile (S)(R) 2.35 Holby City (S)(R) 3.35 This Is BBC Two

ITV

Off Their Rockers, 6.30pm



8.30 Scrambled!: Thunderbirds Are Go (S) 9.05 Scrambled!: Adventure Time (S)(R) 9.25 ITV News (S) 9.30 Wild Australia with Ray Mears (S)(R) 10.00 Let's Do Christmas with Gino & Mel (S)(R) 11.00 [FILM] Dragonheart (1996) (PG) 12.55 ITV News (S) 1.00 Midsomer Murders (S)(R) 2.55 The X Factor (S)(R) 5.00 The Chase (S)(R) 6.00 ITV Regional News (S) 6.15 ITV News (S) 6.30 Off Their Rockers (S)

Stephen Mulhern and Rochelle Humes present the series finale. Last in the series. (S)

7.00 The Next Great Magician

8.00 The X Factor Dermot O'Leary introduces the climax of the talent contest. Last in the series.

10.05 ITV News; Weather (S) 10.25 Ball and Boe: One Night Only Double Olivier Award-winning star of the stage Michael Ball and top tenor Alfie Boe join forces. (S)(R)

11.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA The host takes his successful talk show stateside. (S)(R)

12.10 Jackpot247 3.00 Motorsport UK (S) 3.50 ITV Nightscreen 5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R)

Channel 4



6.15 The King of Queens (S)(R) 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond (S)(R) 8.25 Frasier (S)(R) 9.30 Sunday Brunch (S) 12.25 Deal or No Deal (S) 1.20 The Big Bang Theory (S)(R) 2.35 The Simpsons (S)(R) 4.00 FILM Jingle All the Way (1996) (PG) Comedy, starring Arnold Schwarzenegger. (S) 5.45 Channel 4 News (S) 6.15 FILM Paddington (2014) (PG) (S)

8.00 Christmas at the Chateau Dick and Angel await the arrival of guests expecting a luxurious Christmas. Last in the series. (S)

9.00 Humans Laura seeks Niska's help as Mia and Hester prepare to break into the silo. (S)

10.00 Gogglebox Capturing the households' instant reactions to what they are watching on TV from the comfort of their own sofas. (S)(R)

11.00 FILM Filth (2013) (18) Black comedy, starring James McAvoy and Imogen Poots. (S)

12.50 FILM The Iceman (2012) (15) Fact-based crime drama, starring Michael Shannon. (S) 2.35 The Last Leg (S)(R) 3.30 Kirstie and Phil's Love It or List It (S)(R) 4.20 Location, Location, Location (S)(R) 5.10 Deal or No Deal (S)(R)

Channel 5

The Expendables 3.



6.00 Milkshake! 9.55 The Fairly OddParents (S)(R) 10.30 Football on 5: The Championship (S)(R) 11.30 Football on 5: Goal Rush (S)(R) 12.00 The Gadget Show (S)(R) 12.55 Cats Make You Laugh Out Loud (S)(R) 1.5! FILM Grumpy Cat's Worst Christma Ever (2014) (PG) (S) 3.35 FILM A Prince for Christmas (2015) (PG) (S) 5.20 FILM A Cinderella Christmas (2016) (PG) (S)

7.10 FILM Jackie Chan's The Forbidden Kingdom (2008) (12) Martial arts adventure, starring Jet Li. Edited for violence and language. (S)

FILM The Expendables 3 (2014) (12) Premiere. Action thriller sequel, starring Sylveste Stallone and Mel Gibson. Includes 5 News Update at 10pm. (S)

11.25 FILM The Last Stand (2013) (15) Action thriller, starring Arnold Schwarzenegger and Johnny Knoxville. (S)

1.15 SuperCasino 3.10 Secret Life of Puppies: Terrible Twos (S)(R) 4.00 Nov That's Funny! (S)(R) 4.50 House Docto (S)(R) 5.15 House Doctor (S)(R) 5.40 Angels of Jarm (S)(R) 5.50 Roary the Racing Car (S)(R)

## DIGITAL

#### ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 Emmerdale 8.20 Coronation Street 11.10 The X Factor 1.20 Take Me Out Celebrity Christmas Special 2.30 You've Been Framed! Gold At Christmas 3.30 FILM: The Polar Express (2004) (U) Animated adventure, with the voice of Tom Hanks. 4.30 FYI Daily 4.35 FILM: The Polar Express (2004) (U) Concluded. 5.25 The Smurfs: A Christmas Carol 5.55 Catchphrase Christmas Special 6.55 You've Been Framed! Gold At Christmas 8.00 FILM: The Mask (1994) (PG) Comicbook comedy, starring Jim Carrey. 9.00 FYI Daily 9.05 FILM: The Mask (1994) (PG) Concluded. 10.05 The Xtra Factor 11.05 Family Guy 12.35 American Dad! 1.30 The Cleveland Show 2.25 Teleshopping 5.55 ITV2 Nightscreen

#### ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 Movies Now 6.10 A Touch of Frost 7.55 Heartbeat 9.55 Wycliffe 11.05 Inspector Morse 1.20 FILM: Columbo: By Dawn's Early Light (1974) (PG) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk and Patrick McGoohan. 3.30 FILM: Les Miserables (1978) (PG) Period drama, starring Richard Jordan. 4.35 FYI Daily 4.40 FILM: Les Miserables (1978) (PG) Concluded. 5.55 Agatha Christie's Marple 8.00 Rosemary & Thyme 10.00 Alexander Armstrong's Land of the Midnight Sun 11.05 FILM: Elizabeth: The Golden Age (2007) (12) Historical drama sequel, starring Cate Blanchett. 12.05 FYI Daily 12.10 FILM: Elizabeth: The Golden Age (2007) (12) 1.25 Inspector Morse 3.15 May the Best House Win 4.55 You're Only Young Twice 5.45 ITV3 Nightscreen

#### BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 Horizon: The Secret Life of the Dog 8.00 Choir of the Year 2016 9.30 The Flying Archaeologist 10.00 The Sky at Night 10.30 Horizon: Seeing Stars 11.30 How to Build a Nuclear Submarine 12.30 Masterspy of Moscow: George Blake - Storyville 2.00 Monkey Planet 3.00 The Other Pompeii: Life and Death in Herculaneum 4.00 Close

#### E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Baby Daddy 6.45 Melissa & Joey 7.35 How I Met Your Mother 8.30 The Goldbergs 9.30 Hollyoaks 12.00 Made in Chelsea 1.00 FILM: Diary of a Wimpy Kid (2010) (PG) Family comedy, starring Zachary Gordon. 3.00 The Big Bang Theory: Time Warped 9.00 FILM: Ted Tattoo Fixers 12.05 Naked Attraction 1.10 Gogglebox 2.15 New Girl 3.45 Hollyoaks

#### MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 Time Team 9.55 Kirstie's Handmade Christmas 11.00 Vet on the Hill 12.00 Come Dine with Me 2.40 Four in a Bed 5.20 Come Dine with Me 8.00 Car SOS 9.00 Father Ted Christmas Special 10.10 Father Ted 11.15 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 12.20 The Golden Rules of Porn 2.00 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA 3.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Christmas Special 3.35 Close

#### FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 Santa Fe (1951) (U) Western, starring Randolph Scott. 1.00 Short Circuit 2 (1988) (PG) Sci-fi comedy sequel, with Fisher Stevens. 3.15 Carry On Teacher (1959) (U) Comedy, starring Ted Ray. 5.00 Field of Dreams (1989) (PG) Baseball fantasy, with Kevin Costner and Ray Liotta. 7.05 Unstoppable (2010) (12) Tony Scott's action thriller, with Denzel Washington and Chris Pine. 9.00 Men in Black 3 (2012) (PG) Sci-fi comedy sequel, starring Will Smith. 11.10 The Descendants (2011) (15) Drama, starring George Clooney. 1.25 The Number 23 (2007) (15) 3.25 Close

#### **DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12**

7.00 The Indestructibles 7.20 James May's Cars of the People 8.10 Top Gear 9.40 Top Gear Bolivia Special 11.20 Motorway Cops 12.20 Storage Hunters 1.20 American Pickers 5.20 Top Gear Bolivia Special 7.00 James May's Cars of the People 8.00 QI XL 9.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You 10.00 Taskmaster 12.00 QI XL 1.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You 2.55 8 Out of 10 Cats 3.35 The Indestructibles 4.00 Close

#### DRAMA SKY: 158 FV: 20

7.10 Pie in the Sky 8.00 The Bill 12.00 Death Comes to Pemberley 4.00 Catherine Cookson's The Round Tower 7.00 Murdoch Mysteries 8.00 New Tricks 9.00 Silent Witness 11.10 Spooks 1.50 The Great Train Robbery 3.30 Garden Hopping 4.00 Close

#### **SKY1** SKY: 106

6.00 Hour of Power 7.00 Futurama 9.00 Supergirl 10.00 The Flash 11.00 WWE: Raw 12.00 FILM: Stargate: Continuum (2008) (PG) Sci-fi adventure, starring Ben Browder. 2.00 Futurama 3.00 Modern Family 5.00 The Simpsons 6.00 Harry Hill's Tea-Time

[ (2012) (15) Comedy, starring Mark Wahlberg. 11.00 | 6.30 The Simpsons 8.00 A League of Their Own 9.00 Attenborough at 90: Behind the Lens 10.00 The Force: Essex 11.00 The Force: Manchester 12.00 Ross Kemp on Gangs 1.00 Strike Back: Project Dawn 3.00 DC's Legends of Tomorrow 4.00 Border Security: Canada's Front Line 5.00 Road Wars

#### SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 Urban Secrets 7.00 Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets 8.00 The West Wing 1.00 Without a Trace 5.00 Cold Case 9.00 Westworld 10.45 The Affair 11.55 The Young Pope 1.05 Divorce 1.40 Entourage 3.00 The Affair 4.10 Urban Secrets 5.00 Richard E Grant's Hotel

#### W SKY: 109

6.15 Singing in the Rainforest 7.10 Your Home in Their Hands 8.30 EastEnders 11.00 Extreme Makeover: Home Edition 1.00 Doctor Who 5.00 My Family 7.40 The Catherine Tate Show 11.20 The Call Centre 1.20 Being Human USA 3.00 Home Shopping

#### CHRISTMAS GOLD SKY: 110

7.00 Cheers 7.50 Lovejoy 10.10 Only Fools and Horses 2.00 Richard E Grant on Ealing Comedies 3.05 FILM: Meet Mr Lucifer (1953) (PG) Fantasy comedy, starring Stanley Holloway. 4.45 FILM: Up the Front (1972) (PG) First World War comedy, starring Frankie Howerd. 6.30 FILM: Shakespeare in Love (1998) (15) Period romantic comedy, starring Joseph Fiennes and Gwyneth Paltrow. 9.00 FILM: Step Brothers (2008) (15) Comedy, starring Will Ferrell and John C Reilly. 11.05 Men Behaving Badly 1.00 Extras 2.20 Harry Hill's TV Burp 2.55 I Dream of Jeannie 4.00 Close

#### SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

6.00 Premier League Highlights 8.00 The Sunday Supplement 9.30 Goals on Sunday 11.30 Live EFL. Derby County v Nottingham Forest (kick-off 12.00pm). 2.00 Live Nissan Super Sunday. Manchester United v Tottenham Hotspur (kick-off 2.15pm). 4.15 Live Nissan Super Sunday, Liverpool v West Ham United (kick-off 4.30pm). 7.00 EFL Goals 7.30 Spanish Football Gold 7.40 Live La Liga Football. Real Betis v Athletic Bilbao (kick-off 7.45pm). 9.40 Spanish Football Gold 10.00 Premier League Highlights 11.30 Goals on Sunday 12.30 Premier League Highlights 1.00 Live NFL. 4.30 Football's Greatest Teams 5.00 Premier League 100 Club 5.30 Spanish Football Gold



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# ENTERTAINMENT & LISTINGS

# Real Beauty of a pantomime

By James Richings

AFTER the incredible success of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' 12 months ago, The Anvil is gearing up for 2016's festive show.

this year's pantomime though, instead audiences can expect to meet a beautiful princess who is slightly frustrated.

Princess Briar Rose, played by CBeebies' very own Katrina Bryan, looking forward to experiencing life the milestone.

However, her overprotective father and friends have forbidden the excited princess from leaving the home for reasons she doesn't know and as time goes by, she becomes understandably frustrated.

So will the princess stay in doors for her own good? Or will she disregard her peers' orders so she can do what she wants?

Find out when, 'Sleeping Beauty' arrives at The Anvil from today, Thursday, December 8 to Sunday, January 2.

"When I was contacted about being in a panto, I was interested because I haven't played 'Sleeping Beauty' for a number of years but I have done the character three or four times so There won't be any magic beans in I do love the show." Katrina told the Observer.

> "I also haven't worked in Basingstoke before so I thought why not?'

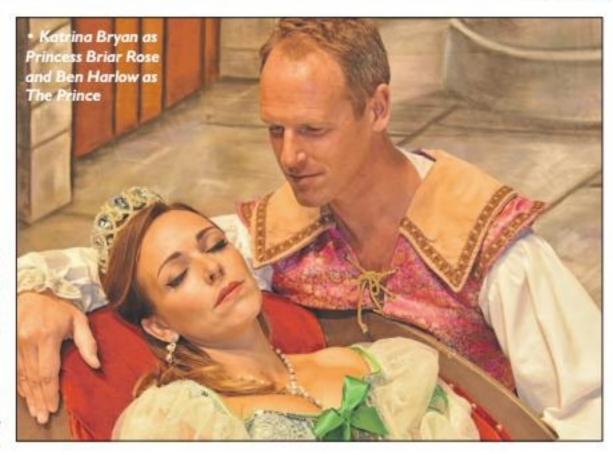
"And in nearly every production of 'Sleeping Beauty' I've been in, they is very excited about turning 18 and have all been completely different which is great because it makes the outside her palace when she reaches production unique in their own way."

> "Also, I think the audience will warm to her (Princess Briar Rose) naturally as the pantomime is brilliantly well written."

> The 36-year-old will be joined by a number of familiar faces at the Churchill Way venue this Christmas.

> Former, 'Only Fools and Horses' actress Sue Holderness will appear in the panto as Carabosse the Evil Witch alongside ex 'Hollyoakes' star Sarah Jane Buckley as the Fairy Godmother.

Actors Mark James, Ben Harlow and Phil Cole also star in the pantomime.



And with there being a total of 40 performances from today until January 2, Katrina is very confident that each family visiting the show will be leaving happy.

The actress is best known for presenting the show, 'Nina and the Neurons' on CBeebies since 2007.

"I think children, if possible, should experience live theatre from a very early age, around pre-school age," she said.

"Because they don't just learn about all the possibilities from the story and interaction, but it actually stimulates them as they are there with their peers in an audience with other people.

"They are so used to iPads, TVs, cinemas and so forth, that an experience in a theatre for children is important because they can let themselves go as they can shout, take part, laugh, sing, dance and have a good time."

There will also be a couple of performances for children who have disabilities. On Tuesday, December 13 there will be a performance for children who are hearing impaired and on Wednesday, December 21, a relaxed show for children who are on the autistic spectrum or have other disabilities will take place.

For a full list of prices, visit www. anvilarts.org.uk.

#### Sleeping Beauty dates

Thursday, December 8 & Friday December 9 (sold out) 10.30am and 6pm

Sunday, December 11 & Monday, December 11 2pm and 6pm

Monday, December 12 No performances

Tuesday, December 13 -Thursday, December 15 10.30am and 6pm

Friday, December 16 - 6pm Saturday, December 17 & Sunday, December 18

2pm and 6pm Monday, December 19 No performances

Tuesday, December 20 2pm and 6pm

Wednesday, December 21 2pm (relaxed performance) 6pm

Thursday, December 22 & Friday, December 23 2pm and 6pm

Saturday, December 24 11am and 3pm

Sunday, December 25 No performances

Monday, December 26 - 3pm Tuesday, December 27 -Friday, December 30

2pm and 6pm Saturday, December 31 - 2pm Sunday, January 1

No performances Monday, January 2 - 2pm

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# ENTERTAINMENT & LISTINGS

# Folk friends set to play town concert

By James Richings

SINCE 2001, folk group St Agnes Fountain have travelled far and wide all over the UK.

However, the group have never gigged at The Haymarket, Basingstoke, in their 16-year history.

But they will change that on Wednesday, December 14, when they Matthews. stop off at the Wote Street venue as part of their December 2016 tour.

Multi-instrumentalist and singer as a duo. Chris Leslie told the Observer: "Expect to hear carols with a curve.

"The show is a mixture of traditional carols and contemporary songs all based around winter and Christmas infused with our own personal influ- Hughes met when the latter was the ences.

"We come together once a year for this tour and we have a great vibe at rapport with the audience.

"They give us a lot of warmth back, and they tell us after shows that company suggested adding more Christmas starts for them after our show."

Comprising Chris While, Julie from a few more musicians. Matthews and David Hughes as well

as Leslie, St Agnes Fountain is a side project the four musicians have pursued for almost two decades as they are best known for their roles in other folk bands or as solo artists.

While is best known for being a member of the folk group The Albion Band for 11 years, during which time she befriended fellow band member

The two decided to leave the group and have enjoyed a successful career

Between them, they can play the piano, guitar, ukulele and accordion and released their latest studio album, 'Shoulders to Shoulders' this year.

One the other hand, Leslie and support act on a Fairport Convention tour back in 1998.

They then worked together to our concerts, and we have a very warm release an acoustic Christmas EP, which proved to be a huge hit with fans.

> Encouraged by this, the record tracks to make the album, but Hughes insisting that the record needed input

While and Matthews were at the top



· St Agnes Fountain (from left) Chris Leslie, Julie Matthews, David Hughes and Chris While

was recorded.

The four then agreed to tour the album during December 2001 and St songs and after 15 years we also have Agnes Fountain was born.

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of their list and a completely new album every year because as we only tour in bring back as well." December," Leslie said.

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is still one of my favourite cars of 2016. And then, in front of you now is the machine and 'frankly staggering' - and one of the main reasons why I think it's the best crossover currently on roll which was yet another sign of the market.

#### Power and Efficiency:

Under the bonnet, you will find a 2.2-litre turbo-diesel, four-cylinder in line, DOHC 16 valve engine that has 150ps at 4,500rpm and 380Nm of torque. Add in a 0-62 time of just over nine seconds and a top speed of about 126mph and you will start to see that what I am saying makes perfect sense.

Also, just because it has a big 2.2-litre engine doesn't mean you will need to visit the pumps every few miles either

because the CX-5 can easily achieve 55mpg. Plus, it also has a CO2 rating of 119g/km so that will save you a few extra pounds too.

#### On the road:

The CX-5 feels planted and handles Then there is the CX-3 which for me brilliantly into the corners. The steering is also very accurate and gives you great feedback, while the Mazda CX-5. which is an even greater suspension also manages to soak up all the bumps and potholes with ease.

> There was also very little body the chassis doing an excellent job of keeping everything under control. Of course, most crossovers also need to have the ability to do a mix of road and track - and I am happy to say that the CX-5 manages to pull that off brilliantly too.

#### Design & Technology:

Some of the standard features you will find come in the form of 17" alloy wheels, Halogen headlights and daytime running lights, front and rear parking sensors, 40/20/40 fold-flat rear seats,

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# 'Stoke stutter against St Ives

By Christian Wilson

BASINGSTOKE Town wasted a home to St Ives Town.

relegation places, but dominated finding the net. the match to come away with a 2-0 win.

run on home soil in all competi- stranded, having misjudged a to a 2-0 defeat. tions, to see them drop to 12th run from his line, and with the tion in the Evo-Stik Southern looped a 30 yard effort wide. Premier.

early on to take the lead from presented Ogbonna with a gift their first corner of the game at the edge of the box, but he goal of the game at the Ark Canafter three minutes, as Dubi was denied by Ray's goal line cer Charity Stadium just nine Ogbonna headed home Jack clearance. Higgs' flag kick.

inswinger, but saw his flicked likely to score next. header drift inches wide.

Stadium sitting just above the half-time-this time Danny Kelly rold.

Defeat to St Ives ended Terry pull one back after the break,

The visitors caught 'Stoke cold zyk, in the 'Stoke goal, then Cup 1-0.

Basingstoke captain David skipper then denied Jack Higgs, home the rebound. Ray nearly returned the favour while Harry O'Malley's close meeting Michael Atkinson's post, as the visitors looked more Chesham United.

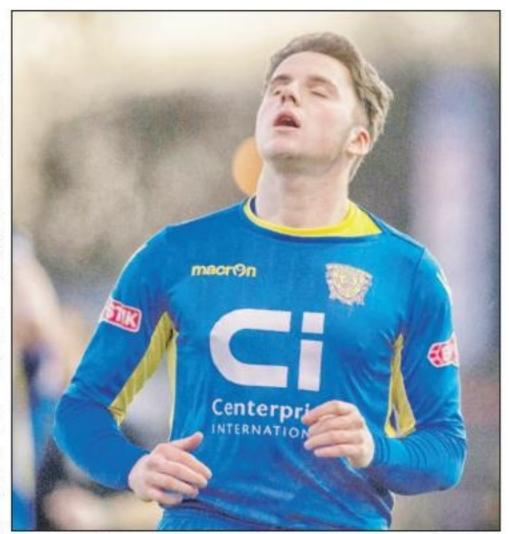
This seemed to shake Bas-And after seeing Joe Gater ingstoke back into life, as they great chance to close in on the head over from close range, chased a goal to pull themselves play-off places on Saturday at and Nana Owusu slice a good back into the tie, with Sam Deadchance wide of the mark, the field seeing his goal-bound effort The Cambridgeshire side hosts were once again punished in the 82nd minute blocked on arrived at the Ark Cancer Centre from St Ives' final attack before the line by defender Jordan Jar-

And while Owusu then forced Substitute Aaron Redford Trebes into a smart save to turn then missed a great chance to away his stinging drive, 'Stoke didn't create anything else of Brown's side's six-game winning as, with keeper Tim Trebes note after that, as they slipped

Basingstoke did manage to place - nine points off fifth posi- goal at his mercy, the striker return to winning ways on Tuesday night, as they beat Cowes A mistake from Alex Tokarc- Sports in the Hampshire Senior

> Aaron Jarvis grabbed the only minutes in, after he followed up Another block from the Town Redford's missed penalty to slot

Town are next in action in



just four minutes later, after range header cannoned off the the league on Saturday away to . George Hallahan is left frustrated as another chance goes begging against St Ives Town (Picture by Daniel Murphy)

## Sport Bites

#### Record double

**HOCKEY:** Basingstoke Hockey Club men's 1sts ended a run of two defeats on the bounce on Saturday, but still dropped down to third in the table.

'Stoke emerged with a hardfought 3-2 win on the road to mid-table Woking 1sts, but wins elsewhere for London Academicals 1sts and Havant 2nds saw them lose ground in Hampshire Surrey 1.

After keeper Adam Smith pulled off a superb save early on, Will Jewkes capitalised at the other end to give the visitors the lead, before Smith was beaten at the second attempt just before half-time to make it 1-1.

Mark Smith then set up Dean Record to deflect the ball home to make it 2-1 at the start of the second half, before Woking scored 30 seconds later.

But after dominating the rest of the match, Basingstoke were rewarded with a late winner from Record.

#### No luck in award

four drivers nominated for the prestigious McLaren Autosport BRDC Award, which saw them go head to head over two intensive days of assessments

MSA Formula Championship.

at Sunday's Autosport Awards, in London.

#### MOTORSPORT: Ricky Collard

narrowly missed out on one of British motorsports' most important prizes for the second time over the weekend. The Hook racer was one of

at Silverstone last month. But after missing out on the gong 12 months earlier to Will Palmer, the Carlin driver lost to fellow Formula 3 racer Lando Norris, who beat him to the 2015

The award was handed out

#### Rare defeat

FOOTBALL: Hartley Wintney suffered a rare defeat in the Combined Counties Premier on Saturday.

The Row were beaten 1-0 away to arguably their biggest challengers for the league title, Walton & Hersham, to see their lead cut to 12 points.

Walton are 20 points behind Hartley in the table, but have four games in hand.

# Familiar face among new signings

DOUG Sheppard has looked to urday, the director of hockey slot straight into the Bison front a mid-season boost by bringing up two players from the current the rest of the season, as the ingstoke supporters, after scor- duo Derek Roehl and Jan Jaratwo new additions to the roster. English Premier League (EPL) Stampede look to bounce back ing 83 goals and registering 161 bek, following a poor start to the

After seeing his Herd side leaders. beat Telford Tigers 6-2 on Sat-

MAN OF THE MATCH AT :

Joe Miller (Picture by grantkingphotography.com)

give his Basingstoke Bison team has since moved quickly to snap and backlines respectively for a popular addition among Bas- two of his summer signings with

Joe Miller and Dan Scott will last week.

from two defeats on the road points during his two-and-a-half season, with this leading to the

welcome him back. and off the ice, as our push for slump.

Sheppard said: "The moment

the title and play-offs continues."

the ethos of players that I try to again. sign - young, hungry guys, who ties," said Sheppard.

EPL seasons.

settles in to life with the Bison." rewarded come the end of this The Bison boss made the bold campaign."

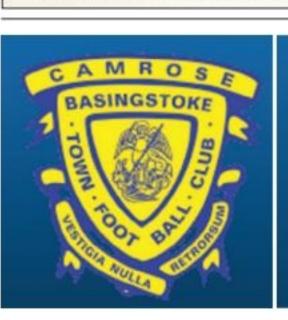
Welsh forward Miller will be decision in September to replace year spell at Planet Ice between club winning seven games on 2011 and late 2013. the bounce.

And after making the deciit seemed as though Joe might sion over the weekend to release be available I was on the phone, Jarabek - just days after Shaun and now I couldn't be happier to Thompson was also shown the door - Sheppard hopes the lat-"We know exactly what Joe est reshuffle will help Basingwill bring to the team, both on stoke recover from their current

He added: "The moves we are Scott will also be no stranger making show a determination to to Bison supporters, with the keep progressing this season 24-year-old having faced off and beyond, as we continue to against Basingstoke for Telford add to an exciting, young British and Slough Jets over the last five core at the club.

"It has proved our path to suc-"Dan very much fits in with cess in the past, and will do so

"There's plenty of reasons to display great leadership quali- be excited about the future of this team, and I hope our fan "I cannot wait to see how he base's continued support will be





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Sheppard welcomes two new Bison additions

Basingstoke Hockey win on the road

# Bison blast top side but lose at basement club

By Christian Wilson

BASINGSTOKE Bison experienced all the highs and lows during a topsy- and draw Manchester level. turvy three days in the English Premier League (EPL).

2-0 at Milton Keynes Lightning.

But they then produced one of their Tigers 6-2.

However, just 24 hours later, the

For long periods of Sunday's clash penalty minutes. at the Phoenix's makeshift home in Unfortunately for Basingstoke The weekend's results have left ahead with 6:29 on the clock.

That's how it stayed for more than 40 minutes until Gareth O'Flaherty pounced to beat Tomas Hiadlovsky at the Basingstoke Arena - completely

But in a game they had dominated, the visitors were left to make the long Friday saw the Herd's hopes of pro- trip home with nothing to show for their against Telford, as they both collectgressing to the EPL Cup semi-finals efforts, after Edgars Bebris struck on ing hat-tricks to seal a 6-2 win. come to an end when they were beaten the powerplay in overtime to seal a rare win for the Phoenix.

best performances of the season on been left frustrated two days earlier midway through the period to level into home ice the following night to bat- in Milton Keynes, as they found home the first break. ter runaway league leaders Telford netminder Przemyslaw Odrobny in imperious form between the pipes.

Stampede were beaten 2-1 by bottom- in a feisty encounter against the powerplay goal for Long. of-the-table Manchester Phoenix, to second-placed side, with the Herd's leave Bison with just two points from Derek Roehl and Lightning's Frantheir first three-match week of the tisek Bakrlik, Tom Carlon, and Bobby visitors a chance, before Long's short-

Lewis Hook found the net.

Sandwiched between those two defeats came a superb performance unbefitting of the rest of the week's ties.

Ciaran Long and Rene Jarolin, in particular, were in fantastic form

That all came after Milan Kolena had put the Tigers into the lead on Doug Sheppard's side had also 3:17. Long equalised on the powerplay

The Herd then took control of the tie in the second period, with Jarolin There were not many goals scored scoring twice, either side of a second

Jason Silverthorn struck for Telford 29 seconds from the break to give the Chamberlain earning a combined 118 handed effort made it 5-2, and Jarolin claimed a third of his own on 47:27.

Blackpool, it seemed like Basingstoke though, the two goals that did arrive the reigning EPL champions 13 would grind out a hard-earned win on both came from Milton Keynes' roster points back in fourth place, headthe road, as Tomas Karpov put them in the second period, as Bakrlik and ing into Saturday's home clash with Guildford Flames.



 Ciaran Long's hat-trick helped Basingstoke Bison beat Telford Tigers 6-2 on Saturday (Picture by grantkingphotography.com).



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